

**TOWN OF LAKEVILLE
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
July 13, 2023 - 6:00PM
Council on Aging Meeting Room
1 Dear Crossing, Lakeville, MA**

On July 13, 2023, the Open Space Committee held a meeting at 6:00 PM at the Council on Aging Community Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM by Chair Amy Knox. Members present were Amy Knox, Gary Flaherty, Brian Reynolds. Members not present were: Elizabeth Nash and Joan Morton. Also present was Marc Resnick, Town Planner.

Vote of New CPC Member

No vote took place.

Review Status of the Open Space Plan

Committee members discussed the status of the Open Space Plan. Mr. Resnick said that he spoke with member Joan Gladu Morton earlier in the day. She is checking the Master Plan to update the Build-Out Analysis information.

The committee reviewed a map of the west side of Lakeville, in order to identify areas of land that could serve as future connections for trails. They looked at land on the west side of Elders Pond, leading in the direction of LeBaron Estates and over towards Massasoit State Park.

Members talked about having an information session and inviting Wildland Trust, the local land trust to a meeting to talk about the process of acquiring land. Mr. Resnick said he would reach out to Wildland Trust.

Members talked about potentially applying for grants, in addition to CPC funds. This could include land grants and water protection grants. The committee discussed the importance of protecting the Elder Pond drainage for water supply, which may qualify for some funding through a water protection grant.

The committee discussed the possibility of bringing a project to the Spring Town meeting. This project would have to be quickly identified to be able to apply for CPC funding. This would also depend upon their ability to meet reasonably quickly with other committees, such as the Conservation Commission and the Select Board, to gain support for a project.

Assawompset Pond Complex, Conservation Commission and Historical Commission Updates

Historical Commission - Mr. Reynolds reported that the Historical Commission is considering things to do to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Town. They are considering a parade, an update of the Lakeville History Book, and a walking tour of Thompson Hill cemetery.

Assawompset Pond Complex – No update.

Conservation Commission - No update

Schedule Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Mr. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Reynolds, it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Open Space Committee meeting at 6:40 PM.

Roll Call Vote: Vice Chair Flaherty -aye, Ms. Nash -aye, Mr. Reynolds -aye

List of documents provided at the meeting

Map of west side of Lakeville.